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This communication is in response to applicant's IDS filed on 10/28/2004, 01/21/2005 and 01/25/2005.

The Examiner considers the IDS filed on 10/28/2004 and 01/21/2005 are considered. Attached please find copies of PTOL-1449, which were filed along with the IDS on 10/24/2004 and 01/25/2005.

As to the IDS filed on 01/25/2005, the prior art references cited in this IDS (via search report) are already listed in the PTOL-1449, which was filed along with IDS on 01/21/2005 and therefore are not considered again.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ashok Patel whose telephone number is 703-305-4934. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on 571-272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-308-7382.

  
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Enclosures: - 4 Pages of PTOL-1449  
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